IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Attorney Docket No.: 4062.51US05

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Application No.: 10/620016 Examiner: Carolyn L. Smith

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING AN OPTIMAL IMAGE OF A MICROSCOPE SLIDE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

MAIL STOP RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), an extension of time of three (3) months (from December 2, 2008, to March 2, 2009) within which to respond to the Office Action dated September 2, 2008, is requested. Electronic payment is submitted by credit card to cover any extension fees not previously paid. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

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